GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Servants - Revision Petition - Sri P.V.Ramana, former Tahsildar, N.P.Kunta Mandal, Sri Satya Sai District (erstwhile Ananthapuram District) - Disciplinary proceedings initiated on the allegation of committing irregularities making Webland entries in Kadiri Mandal - Imposed Punishment of Reversion to lower rank - Appeal filed - Admitted - Revoked the punishment orders - Imposed a punishment of 'withholding of two annual grade increments with cumulative effect - Revision petition filed - Censure awarded - Orders - Issued.

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REVENUE (VIGILANCE.III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.1161 Dated:19.12.2023

Read the following:

1. Proceedings of the CCLA & Spl. C.S vide VS-II(1)/71/2019, Dt.14.05.2022.
2. Appeal petition dt:06-06-2022 of Sri P.V.Ramana, Tahsildar, N.P.Kunta Mandal, Sri Satya Sai District.
3. G.O.Rt.No.709, Revenue (Vig.III) Dept, Dt:02.09.2022.
4. Revision Petition dt:02.01.2023 of Sri P.V.Ramana, former Tahsildar, Kadiri Mandal.

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ORDER:

Whereas, in the reference 1st read above, the Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., issued orders imposing a major penalty of "Reversion to lower rank" against Sri P.V.Ramana, former Tahsildar, N.P.Kunta Mandal, as the charges regarding the allegation that he colluded with parties in registration of assigned land in Sy.No.1784-4 extent 2.36 Acres of Kadiri Village, N.P.Kunta Mandal are held proved. Aggrieved by the above orders issued by the Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, Sri P.V.Ramana, former Tahsildar, N.P.Kunta Mandal has filed an appeal petition before the Government stating that the punishment of the Reversion to lower Rank imposed on him is highly disproportionate to the alleged irregularity committed by him out of ignorance and believing the VRO in good faith. Therefore, he has requested to consider his appeal on humanitarian grounds and set aside the impugned orders passed by the Chief Commissioner of Land Administration.

2. And whereas, while admitting the appeal petition, Government in the reference 3rd read above, has issued orders duly revoking the punishment of "Reversion to lower rank"' and duly modifying the punishment by imposing a major penalty of 'withholding of two (2) annual grade increments with cumulative effect against him under Rule 37 r/w Rule 9 of A.P.C.S (CC&A), Rules, 1991.

3. In the reference 4th cited, Sri P.V.Ramana, Tahsildar, has submitted a revision petition before the Government stating that the penalty though reduced by the Govt., is severe and more punitive than the irregularity unfolded. The punishment imposed against him without justifable reasons adversely afect his promotional opportunities and he will be put to irreparable loss to his pensionary benefts. Therefore, he has requested to re-examine the punishment awarded in the reference 3rd read above and pass suitable orders one in the nature of the exonerating the appellant from the charges and punishment awarded may please be dropped in the interest of Justice and protecting an innocent Government sincere sub- ordinate servant. A Personal hearing has been conducted by the competent authority.

4. Government, after careful examination of the revision petition along with his oral and written submissions, have observed that the appellant has acted upon the information given to him by the VRO with good faith is taken into consideration. Moreover, it was stated that the land was restored to original status of Govt possession. Hence, it is decided to revoke the punishment duly imposing Censure against Sri P.V.Ramana, former Tahsildar, N.P.Kunta Mandal on humanitarian Grounds, as there is no loss to the Government.

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5. Accordingly, Government here by revoke the punishments imposed in the references 1st & 3rd read above duly awarding minor penalty of 'Censuret against Sri P.V.Ramana, former Tahsildar, N.P.Kunta Mandal, Sri Satya Sai District (erstwhile Ananthapuram District) on humanitarian Grounds, as there is no loss occurred to the Government in this matter, under Rule 40 of A.P.C.S (CC&A) Rules, 1991.

6. The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Mangalagiri_ shall take necessary action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

G.SAI PRASAD
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (FAC)

To:
Sri P.V.Ramana, former Tahsildar, N.P.Kunta Mandal, Sri Satya Sai District (erstwhile Ananthapuram District) through the Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Mangalagiri.
The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Mangalagiri.
Copy to:
The Collector & District Magistrate, Sri Satya Sai District, Puttaparthi.
The Collector & District Magistrate, Ananthapuramu.
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//FORWARDED:: BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER